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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION

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Title	AREA	APPARATUS, PROGRAM, MEDIUM FOR IMAGE- AREA SEPARATION, IMAGE PROCESSING AND IMAGE FORMING							
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APPLICATION ELEMENTS See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application	contents.	MS Patent Application Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450								
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2. Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.		 Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if <u>app</u>licable, all necessary) 								
3. X Specification [Total Pages	38	a. Computer Readable Form (CRF)								
(preferred arrangement set forth below) Descriptive title of the invention Cross Reference to Related Applications Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix Background of the Invention Brief Summary of the Invention Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed) Detailed Description Claim(s) Abstract of the Disclosure Total Sheets Mewly executed (original or copy) Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)) (for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed) i. DELETION OF INVENTOR(S) Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application,	16 I	b. Specification Sequence Listing on: i. CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or ii. Paper c. Statements verifying identity of above copies ACCOMPANYING APPLICATIONS PARTS 9. Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s)) 10. 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement Power of (when there is an assignee) 11. English Translation Document (if applicable) 12. X Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 13. Preliminary Amendment 14. X Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized) 15. X Copies of IDS (Should be specifically itemized) 16. Variable (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized) 17. Variable (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized) 18. Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i).								
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6. Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76										
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application	1804	920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to				
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1004 750 2004 375 Reissue filing fee	1403	280	2403	140	Request for oral hearing				
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